| SL No. | Commodity | Variety | 2006-07 | 2007-08 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 8. | Urad | | 1520 | 1700 |
| 9. | Cotton | F-414/H-777/J34 | 1770* | 1800* |
| | | H-4 | 1990** | 20230** |
| 10. | Groundnut in Shell | | 1520 | 1550 |
| 11. | Sunflower Seed | | 1500 | 1510 |
| 12. | Soyabeen | Black | 900 | 910 |
| | | Yellow | 1020 | 1050 |
| 13. | Sesamum | | 1560 | 1580 |
| 14. | Nigerseed RABI CROPS | | 1220 | 1240 |
| 15. | Wheat | | 750$$ | 1000 |
| 16. | Barley | | 565 | 650 |
| 17. | Gram | | 1445 | 1600 |
| 18. | Masur (Lentil) | | 1545 | 1700 |
| 19. | Rapeseed/Mustard | | 1715 | 1800 |
| 20. | Safflower | | 1565 | 1650 |
| 21. | Torja | | 1680 | |

$$An additional incentive bonus of Rs. 100 per quintal is payable over the Minimum Support Price (MSP).

*An additional incentive bonus of Rs. 40 per quintal was payable between 1.10.2006 to 31.3.2007. In case of Bihar and Kerala additional incentive bonus extended upto 31.5.2007 and in case of A.P., Chhattisgarh, Orissa, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal additional incentive bonus extended upto 30.9.2007.

•Medium Staple

"Long Staple

AAA bonus of Rs. 40 per quintal is payable over and above the MSP.

**Estimate of production of paddy**

†543. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is estimate of decline in the production of paddy due to flood, etc., in various States of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the names of the States which have estimated the decline in production of paddy and the quantity of decline, State-wise;

(c)-whether due to decline in production in these States, there is possibility of increase in demand of rice; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA): (a) and (b) The paddy crop in the States of Assam, Bihar, Karnataka, Kerala, Orissa, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal is reported to have been affected due to floods during

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Kharif 2007 to some extent. However, data on decline in the quantity of production of paddy due to same are not available.

(c) and (d) Increase in demand of rice (paddy), if any, is likely to be met by the Rabi paddy 2007-08. Further, the Government has launched National Food Security Mission (NFSM) from 2007-08 to increase production of rice.

**Recovery of production cost of coarse grains**

†544. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that only 57 per cent of the production cost is being recovered from the production of coarse grains in the country;

(b) if not, the fact in this regard alongwith the total area of land on which this coarse grain is produced in the country; and

(c) the estimated size of average holding of the said area of land?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA): (a) Farmers growing coarse grains are getting assured return in the form of Minimum Support Price (MSP) as recommended by Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP) and as announced by the Government. The cost of production (COP) and the MSP of the coarse grains *viz.* jowar, bajra and maize for the year 2007-08 is given below:

(in rupees per quintal)

| Crop | COP | MSP | % of MSP to COP |
|---|---|---|---|
| Bajra | 443.96 | 600.00 | 135.15 |
| Maize | 448.73 | 620.00 | 138.17 |
| Jowar | 546.37 | 620.00 | 113.48 |

| Year | Area under coarse grains |
|---|---|
| 2003-04 | 30.80. |
| 2004-05 | 29.03 |
| 2005-06 | 29.04 |
| 2006-07 | 28.44 |

(c) Coarse grain-wise data on size of average holding are not compiled.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.